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TAGS: JA, OREP (KENNEDY, EDWARD M.)

SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF KENNEDY VISIT

- 1. SENATOR KENNEDY'S STAFF HAS PROVIDED FOLLOWING IDEAS FOR PRESS COVERAGE OF VISIT:
- (A) FLIGHT FROM HONG KONG -- 3 TO 7 SEATS WILL BE HELD OPEN FOR U.S. NEWSMEN WHO MAY WISH TO ACCOMPANY. SENATOR WILL GIVE INTERVIEWS EN ROUTE.
- (B) JANUARY 10, KYOTO 0800-0930: BREAKFAST COLLOQUIUM WITH PRESS TO INCLUDE YOUNGER NEWSMEN, WITH SENIOR NEWSMEN TO HAVE OPPORTUNITY IN TOKYO. 1500-1600: NHK INTERVIEW. SENATOR'S STAFF WOULD LIKE NAME OF INTERVIEWER, SUGGESTION AS TO WHAT TO PLAN OR EXPECT. STAFF BELIEVES SENATOR SHOULD RESTRICT COMMENTS TO ASPECTS OF THIS TRIP. NO QUESTIONS REGARDING HIS FUTURE POLITICAL PLANS SHOULD BE ASKED. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(C) TRAIN FROM KYOTO TO HIMEJI -- PRESS MIGHT BE PERMITTED TO JOIN, IF VALUE PERCEIVED, TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS ENROUTE. NO PRESS SHOULD BE ALLOWED, HOWEVER, FROM HIMEJI TO HIROSHIMA, AS SENATOR WILL USE THIS TIME TO PREPARE STATEMENT IN HIROSHIMA

- (D) FLIGHT FROM HIROSHIMA TO TOKYO -- JAPANESE REPORTERS ONLY. SENATOR'S STAFF CONCERNED THAT "RIGHT" REPORTERS BE INCLUDED, AND WOULD APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS AS TO WHAT TO PLAN OR EXPECT.
- (E) POSSIBLE PRESS COLLOQUIUM ON EVENING OF JANUARY 11, EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER AMBASSADOR'S DINNER. WHAT MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE?
- (F) JANUARY 12, FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS LUNCHEON -- STAFF EXPECTS LIVELY Q AND A SESSION.
- (G) JANUARY 12, UNU MEETING -- AFTER MEETING SENATOR WILL MAKE PUBLIC STATEMENT.
- (H) JANUARY 12, FUJI-TV INTERVIEW -- STAFF NEEDS INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE AS TO WHAT TO EXPECT. WHAT WILL BE THRUST OF QUESTIONS?
- (I) DEPARTURE FROM TOKYO -- STAFF IS CONSIDERING PREPARING A DEPARTURE STATEMENT.
- (J) ASAHI HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN INTERVIEWING SENATOR FOR ARTICLE TO APPEAR IN "ASAHI JOURNAL". ASAHI'S MR. SAKIYA CAN BE REACHED ON THIS MATTER AT 212-0131, EXT. 119. VANCE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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